

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE



Applicants: Richard S. NORMAN et al.

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**For: CELL-BASED SWITCH FABRIC WITH DISTRIBUTED
ARBITRATION**

RESPONSE TO OFFICIAL ACTION

Commissioner for Patents

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Sir/Madam:

In response to the Office Action mailed November 19, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows and re-examine the application in view of the amendments and remarks provided. A petition for extension of time is being submitted concurrently herewith.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 11 of this paper.